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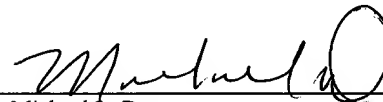
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Sir:

Responsive to the official action of January 19, 2001, please amend as follows:

In The Claims

Please delete claim 2 and substitute new claim 2 as follows:

B1 2. (amended) A food casing comprising an internal surface coating of a dried aqueous emulsion comprising at least one polyglyceryl ester, and from about 10 to about 20 weight percent of dissolved polyhydric alcohol.

Please delete claim 3 and substitute new claim 3 as follows:

B2 3. (twice amended) A food casing comprising an internal surface coating of a dried aqueous emulsion comprising at least one polyglyceryl ester which polyglyceryl ester comprises triglyceryltetraoleate.